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Dear Sir:

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

In the Notice of Allowability attached to the Notice of Allowance mailed on January 5, 2005, the Examiner provided a Statement of Reasons for Allowance. Although Applicants gratefully acknowledge the Examiner's Allowance of the present claims, Applicants do not entirely agree with the Examiner's Reasons for Allowance. The Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance generalizes independent claims 1, 17, 28, 34, and 43 based on features in some but not all of the claims. Moreover, the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance describes some features that are not recited in any of the independent claims. For these reasons, Applicants respectfully stress that each of the independent claims is patentable based on certain features explicitly recited in each respective claim.

Respectfully submitted,

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- () _____ sheets of corrected formal drawing(s), as required by the Notice of Patent Drawings Objection (PTO-948) which accompanied the Office Action dated _____.
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- (X) 3 _____ sheets of formal drawing(s). Please substitute these formal drawing(s) for the informal drawing(s) originally filed.
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Examiner's approval of the entry of these drawings is respectfully requested. No new matter has been added.

Respectfully submitted,

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